



Long Pond

WELLFLEET

34 Acres

Not To Be Used For Navigational Purposes

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*Barnstable County
Cape Cod Watershed*

Latitude: 41.9441175 N Longitude: 70.0066108 W



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Depth: 16 Feet Average
50 Feet Maximum

Primary Gamefish:
Chain Pickerel

General Information:

Long Pond is a natural kettlehole pond with an average depth of 16 feet and a maximum depth of 50 feet. The pond has two deeper kettleholes connected by a narrow and shallower middle section. The ponds 1.4 miles of shoreline are lightly developed with houses. The bottom is primarily sand and gravel and aquatic vegetation is common. The pond is extremely clear with a transparency of 23 feet. The pond is generally infertile and acidic. The pond stratifies during the summer months with the thermocline starting at about 25 feet.

Access:

Long Pond is a natural great pond within the Cape Cod National Seashore located less than a mile east of Route 6 and south of Gull Pond. Access is provided by a town landing and beach suitable for launching cartop boats and canoes. To get there, take Long Pond Road from Route 6. The access is located on the northwestern end of the pond just off Long Pond Road.

Management History:

Long Pond has a fairly extensive management history dating back to its stocking with rainbow trout in 1902. A 1911 era survey reported yellow perch, pickerel and hornpout. It was stocked with Chinook salmon, rainbow trout and smelt between 1914 and 1918 and with white perch in 1938. An August 1948 fisheries survey found only yellow perch. It was reclaimed with rotenone in August 1954 and contained 36 pounds of fish per acre primarily yellow perch (75%), American eels (21%), banded killfish and brown bullheads. It was then restocked with largemouth bass and alewives between 1954 and 1959. It was reclaimed again in 1965 and contained 59 pounds of fish per acre; 86% yellow perch, 4% largemouth bass, brown bullhead and eels. It was then restocked with chain pickerel in 1966, golden shiners and alewives in 1967 and banded killfish in 1973. A September 1974 survey found chain pickerel, pumpkinseed and yellow perch.

Fish Populations:

Long Pond was most recently surveyed on July 10, 1985 and contained yellow perch, pumpkinseed, chain pickerel, redbfin pickerel and brown bullhead.

Fishing:

Like many other outer cape ponds, Long Pond is a very scenic pond with extremely clear water. While this makes for a scenic fishing spot, the clear water indicates an infertile pond which is on the acidic side. Best fishing here would be for chain pickerel. Other nearby ponds include Gull Pond in Wellfleet.

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